GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1387
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2015
Packaged Drinking Water
Shanavas Shri M. I.

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken note of the complaints regarding the quality of packaged drinking water being sold across the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the erring companies/agencies; and

(c) whether such companies engaged in production and sale of packaged drinking water are causing shortage of drinking water in anyway, if so, the details thereof and the corrective action taken in this regard indicating the number of companies/agencies involved in production and sale of packaged water, State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Madam, as per the information available from the State/UT Governments, the number of samples of packaged drinking water collected, tested, found not conforming and action taken in the year 2014-15 in the country is as under:-

No. of samples analysed No. of samples found to be non-conforming No. of Prosecution Launched Conviction
806 226 130 30

(c) : State/U.T wise number of manufacturers of packaged drinking water having BIS licence is at Annexure. Information/data with regard to shortage of drinking water, if any, caused by the production and sale of packaged drinking water by the packaged drinking water manufacturing companies is not maintained centrally.

*****